

PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: Stacey Ford Osborne

City of Taylor Communications Office

stacey.osborne@taylortx.gov

512-352-5448 (ofc.) 512-365-9310 (cell)

TAYLOR FIRE DEPARTMENT TO HOLD PUSH-IN CEREMONY FOR NEW APPARATUS

TAYLOR, Texas – The Taylor Fire Department invites the community to observe a traditional push-in ceremony for Fire Engine 2, the department's newest apparatus. The ceremony will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, January 25, at Fire Station 1 located at 200 Washburn. The event is free and open to the public.

A push-in ceremony is a time-honored tradition in the fire community to help commemorate the arrival of a new engine. During the January 25 ceremony, the apparatus will officially be unveiled to the community, which will formally place it into service, and then it will be rolled into the bay.

Engine 2 will replace some of the outdated and aging inventory within the Taylor Fire Department and help continue the department's goal of providing state-of-the-art fire protection services to the citizens of Taylor.

The new engine is a 2019 Spartan IPS Pumper that was custom manufactured in Brandon, South Dakota by Spartan Motors. The truck carries 750 gallons of water and is equipped with a compressed air foam system. Purchase of the truck was approved by City Council in May 2018 at a cost of \$744,716.

For additional information, please contact the City of Taylor Communications Office at 512-352-5448.